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Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 13 September 2006, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-first session the item entitled "Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 32nd and 36th meetings, on 15 and 21 December 2006. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/61/SR.32 and 36).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Financial report and audited financial statements and report of the Board of Auditors on the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991;¹

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on financial and any other implications resulting from the introduction of a staff retention bonus at the International

¹ Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 5L and corrigendum (A/61/5/Add.12 and Corr.1).



Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (A/61/522);

(c) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/61/591);

(d) Report of the Secretary-General on the first performance report of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia for the biennium 2006-2007 (A/61/585);

(e) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/61/633).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.14

4. At its 36th meeting, on 21 December, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991" (A/C.5/61/L.14), submitted by the Chairman of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Chile.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.14 without a vote (see para. 6).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General, namely, the first performance report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 for the biennium 2006-2007¹ and the report on financial and any other implications resulting from the introduction of a staff retention bonus at the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia,²

Having also considered the report of the Board of Auditors on the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the recommendations contained therein,³

Having further considered the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,⁴

Recalling its resolution 47/235 of 14 September 1993 on the financing of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which were resolutions 60/242 and 60/243 of 23 December 2005,

1. *Takes note* of the reports of the Secretary-General on the first performance report of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia for the biennium 2006-2007¹ and on financial and any other implications resulting from the introduction of a staff retention bonus at the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia;²

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;⁴

3. *Emphasizes* the importance of implementing the recommendations of the Board of Auditors, and requests the Secretary-General to report on progress in the implementation of the recommendations of the Board in the context of the proposed budget of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia for the biennium 2008-2009;

4. *Also emphasizes* the importance of the timely submission of the performance reports of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary

¹ A/61/585.

² A/61/522.

³ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 5L and corrigendum (A/61/5/Add.12 and Corr.1), chap. II.*

⁴ A/61/591 and A/61/633.

Questions in order to facilitate the proper consideration thereof by the General Assembly;

5. *Decides* on a revised appropriation to the Special Account for the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 of a total amount of 326,573,900 United States dollars gross (297,146,300 dollars net) for the biennium 2006-2007;

6. *Decides also*, for the year 2007, to apportion among Member States, in accordance with the scale of assessments applicable to the regular budget of the United Nations for the year, the amount of 86,940,250 dollars gross (78,995,675 dollars net), including 10,718,300 dollars gross (9,418,200 dollars net), being the increase in assessments;

7. *Decides further*, for the year 2007, to apportion among Member States, in accordance with the rates of assessment applicable to peacekeeping operations for the year, the amount of 86,940,250 dollars gross (78,995,675 dollars net), including 10,718,300 dollars gross (9,418,200 dollars net), being the increase in assessments;

8. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraphs 6 and 7 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund in the amount of 15,889,150 dollars, including 2,600,200 dollars, being the increase in the estimated staff assessment income approved for the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia for the biennium 2006-2007.

Annex

Financing for the biennium 2006-2007 of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

(United States dollars)

	Gross	Net
Initial appropriation for the biennium 2006-2007 (see resolution 60/243)	305 137 300	278 559 400
Add: proposed changes for the biennium 2006-2007 (see A/61/585)	21 436 600	18 836 400
Less: estimated income for the biennium 2006-2007	(249 500)	(249 500)
Proposed revised appropriation for the biennium 2006-2007	326 324 400	297 146 300
Assessment for 2006	(152 443 900)	(139 154 950)
Balance to be assessed for 2007	173 880 500	157 991 350
<i>Including:</i>		
Contributions assessed on Member States in accordance with the scale of assessments applicable to the regular budget of the United Nations for 2007	86 940 250	78 995 675
Contributions assessed on Member States in accordance with the rates of assessment applicable to peacekeeping operations of the United Nations for 2007	86 940 250	78 995 675